18TH YEAR-WHOLE NO. 5,388.

WOODWARD & LOTHROP. Perculatible Dress Goods Bargains.

The continued mild weather has caused Domestic Manufacturers to let go their productions at prices which would not have been even thought of at the beginning of the season, and would never have been considered at all but for the continued unseasonable weather. Hence, our buyer was tempted to make the prices at which he would take the lots, and was no less surprised

accepted. These new goods are now in stock, marked at prices lower than they could have been bought at wholesale the first of the season, which, in addition to the stock previously marked down by us, places this stock of Woolen Dress Fabrics beyond question the best value for the money ever shown in this

himself when his offers were

country. These are not old goods, but the latest, most popular and most fashionable fabrics of this season's manufacture. Comprising-

Homespun Suitings. Bouele Cloths, Camel's Mair Sultings,

English Cheviots. Combination Dress Patterns, representing a larger and broader field for the display of your several tastes than ever exhibited in the history of our business.

No one could possibly fail to make a selection, and at these prices it would pay you to buy for seasons to come. WOODWARD & LOTHROP.
Acknowledged Lenders in Silks.

Our grand sale of Silks has met with such an uninterrupted response, we propose to continue it another week, with the following additional conspicuous bargains:

WORTH NOW SOLD.

\$1.15 Black Jersey Silk \$1.00
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\$2.50 Black Jersey Silk 1.25
\$2.50 Black Faille Flora, elegant quality, rough grain, worth \$1.75, only \$1.50 per yard.
\$1.40 Black Jersey Armare, a heautifully finished fabric, actual value \$1.375, only \$1.25 per yard. per yard. 20-inch Changeable Grace Silk Serges, only This is the most desirable and most popular fabric for Wrap, Dress and Hood Linkugs now

m vogue.

COLORED SATINS.

Having replenished this stock, we are showing a numberless variety of the most desirable colorings, at the following remarkably lov prices:

35c., 5cc., 75c. AND SI PER YARD.

Your particular attention is attracted to the exceedingly popular, and deservingly so,

Bitnek Faitle Francaise The newest weave in Black Silk Fabrics; has a corded silk surface, and when made up has an extremely rich and handsome effect, the heavy folds being of the most graceful character, imparting an elegance seldom seen in plain black silk costumes. None better for the money.

| 21-inch, \$1.00, | 22-inch, \$1.50, | 21-inch, \$1.125, | 25-inch, \$1.75, | 21-inch, \$1.25, | 24-inch, \$2.20, | 25-inch, \$1.25, | 25-inch, \$2.20, | 25-inch, \$1.25, | 25-inch, \$2.20, | 25-inch, \$1.50, | 25-inch,

Incomparable Towel Bargains, New and extensive purchases in fine Towels enable us to quote unequaled values, and which at these prices are commendable and indisputable

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20 dec 24 by 56 Huck Towels, three elegant styles, with knotted fringe.
Huck with knotted fringe.
Huck with handsome damask border.
Damask with canvas border and faggoting.
Displaye with beautiful damask border.
25 doz 21 by 47 Plain Gream Momie Linen Towels, knotted fringe, with etonine canvas border for entroidering. Excellent for Bureau, Buffer. Stand Covers and Splashers, exita good value.
Only five each.
15 doz 20 by 49 Momie and Birdeye Linen Towels, knotted fringe, with handsome red and bine fancy berders, excellent quality.

15 doz 21 by 50 German Linen Damask Towels, knotted fringe, beauliful fancy borders, excellent quality.
Those in need of FINE TOWELS should wall themselves of this most excellent opportunity at once in order to obtain a choice of siyle.

First floor—first on the right.)

(First floor—first on the right.) WOODWARD & LOTHROP. Three Unprecedented Values in Vel-

vet Fabries. ver Fabries.

No. 1-30 buch Black Silk Volvet, even a Largain if at \$176, only \$1.25 per yard.

No. 2-8 patterns of 20-lineh Black Brocade Velvet, fully worth \$2.50, only \$2 per yard.

No. 3-30-lineh two-tons Briscade Velvet, in the following rich combination of colors: Old Gold and Blac. 14. Brown and olive, Bod and Saphir, Garnot and Blac. Old Gold and File. Worth \$2.50, only \$2 per yard.

This is the choicest and most popular fabric in the market for party and evening dresses or for wear on

any special occasion. WOODWARD & LOTHROP. Boston Dry Goods House,

ONE PRICE ONLY. 921 Penn. Ave.

GOVERNMENT GOSSIP.

Our buyer could not resist The Annual Report of Lieutenant-General Sheridan.

STRENGTH OF THE ARMY.

Serious Illness of the Venerable William Hunter.

THE TELEPHONE HEARING.

Speculations as to the Probable Decision of Secretary Lamar.

COMMODORE SCHLEY'S REPORT.

His Recommendations Regarding the Washington Navy-Yard.

GENERAL AND PERSONAL.

The President to-day appointed: John M. Campbell, Surveyor of Customs for the Port of Philadelphia, Pa. Richard H. Arbuckle, Collector of Cus-tons for the District of Eric, Pa. The President last evening made the fol-

The President last evening made the following appointments:

Consuls—Augustus M. Boyd, at Tuxpan, Mexico, Benjamin J. Franklin of Missouri, at Han Kow, China; William E. Huger of Louislana, at San Jose, Costa Rica; S. ChinTung Laisun, interpreter to the consulate of the United States at Chin Kiang, China; William B. Herbert of Delaware, to be marshal of the Consular Coart of the United States at Kanagawa, Japan.

Registers of Land Offices—Emmett Horan of Wisconsin, at Eau Claire, Wis.; Stephen E. Thayer of Wisconsin, at Wausau, Wis.

Receiver of Public Moneys—Sylvester S. Kepler of Wisconsin, at Eau Claire, Wis.

Patents to Washingtonians, -Patents as follows were issued to-day to residents of the District of Columbia: H. W. T. Jon-ner, liquor flask, and Augusta McBlair, ironing table.

The Juniata.-Navy Department offi ials deny that there is any cause for apprebension as to the safety of the Juniata The vessel has not been heard from for a month, but this is not surprising and cause

A Northern Pacific Land Case .-There was a hearing to-day before Assistant Secretary Jenks in the case of Guilford & Miller against the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. The point involved is the right of the company to withdraw from settlement indemnity lands granted to it. Commissioner Sparks ruled against the road and the company appealed. The hearing to-day was on the appeal. Delegate Voorbers and Mr. Johnson appeared for Guilford & Miller and G. T. Gray and W. K. Mendenhall for the road.

Appreciative Chinamen.-The Presi lent has received a copy of a series of reso-utions adopted by Chinese morehants doing usiness in New York, expressing gentitude o the President for his proclamation and to the Freedom for his proclamation and other efforts to protect Chinamen from ill-treatment at the hands of lawless men in the Northwestern States and Territories. The petition states that the Chinamen resident in the United States gratefully appreciate the President's course, commend his justice and courage and increase their desire to obey and enforce his laws.

The Lamyette Monument.—The models for the proposed Lafayette monument will remain at the State Department until a selection is finally made, which may not be for some weeks. The models thus far received are two from Bartholdi, one from Daniel C. French of Massachusetts, whose Daniel C. French of Massachusetts, whose statues of John Howard and "the minutesman" have given him an enviable reputation, and one from Larkin Gr Meade, Professor of Sculpture at the Florence Academy of Art. The connuission, of which Secretary Endleott, Senator Sherman and Architect Clark are members, will not consider the question of a site until after the design has been selected. It has been suggested that some one of the open spaces or triangles on Pennsylvania avenue should be selected.

Illness of Assistant Secretary Hunter. -William Hunter, Second Assistant Sec retary of State, and the oldest employe of the Government in continuous service in Washington, is confined to his residence in Georgetown by illness, and bis official asso decognition by liness, and his official associates have given up hope of ever seeing
him sgain at his office. Until a week ago
Mr. Hunter continued to discharge his
duties at the State Department. For some
time Mr. Hunter has been in the habit of
paying early morning visits to a surgeon in
laitimore for treatment and returning in
time to be at the Department at 9 o'clock.
About a week ago Secretary Bayard became impressed with the idea that Mr.
Hunter's official duties were hastening his
decline and insisted upon his taking a rest.
Mr. Hunter has since been unable to leave
his bed. Mr. Hunter's appointment to a
minor clerkship took place on May 22,
1839, and he has been in the service of the
Department continuously ever since, serving in almost every position, being identified with every important diplomatic move,
and possessing the confidence and esteem
of all those connected with the Department
or representing foreign governments here.
He has been the author of much diplomatic
correspondence which has become famous,
and his services have been recognized by
various Presidents and by Congress. The
condition of Mr. Hunter was unchanged
this morning. Although no immediate
alarm is felt, there is thought to be no hope
for his recovery. ciates have given up hope of ever seeing

for his recovery.

General Sheridan's Report.—Lieutenant-General Sheridan's annual report as General-in-Chief of the Army, which it has been reported the Secretary of War has desired to suppress, is made public. He re peats many of the recommendations of 1884 and treating of the Indian question, urges that lands be settled upon the Indians in severalty, three hundred and twenty acres each family, and that the remaining lands be purchased by the Government at \$1.95 per acre and the fund put in U. S. bonds to per acre and the fund put in C. S. Somis to support them. As it is the Indians are the richest people in the country, as communities. He does not agree with General Miles in his views as to making the Indians self-theat Black Brocade only 82 yer yard. Some all vilve, hed and office and sper yard. Choicest and abric in the year of the per yard. Some all years are supplied cheaper and readily moved by rail to points where they may be needed. Congress is triged to calorize the retiral list to provide for the many disabled officers suffering from wounds or disability incurred during the war or on the funder since that time. He also recommends legislation for the Sational Guard, and also to add two companies and two additional majors to each infantry regiment. He quotes and concurs in the bleas contained in Major-General Schofield's report as to the need of legislation defining the darties of the Administration and command of the army, but nothing is said of the right of selection and releasing ineal instead of regimental protection to the runk of field officer in the line and, commenting upon the Apache troubles in Arlicona, declares his faith in General Crook as "The best man we have to deal with these boatle Indians, and will." pport them. As it is the Indians are the

accomplish more in the end than perhap any man in the army. The strength of the army October 1 was 2,154 officers are 24,755 enlisted men, a total of 29,399 dis tributed among the chileted men as follows General staff (ordinance, engineers, Signa Service, de.), 1,305, cavairy, 7,135, artillery 2,507; infantry, 10,471; Indian scouts, 317 and recruiting detachments, &c., 2,330.

The Telephone Case,-The telephone caring was closed last night. It will b ome time before a decision is reached. Th everal Impression is that the Secretary of be Interior will recommend that the Units States be made a party to a suit to test the validity of the Beil patent. Even some of the Beil people acknowledge that such a thing is more that probable, but they will not give in until the U. S. Supreme Court has passed upon the matter.

General Vilas Not Absent.-The Phil: delphia papers to-day speak of the presence in that city, where he is said to have ar ived yesterday, of Postmaster-Genera Vilas, and say that his visit is causing a great deal of excitement among the politicians there. The Postmaster-General is here and has not been to Philadelphia at all. His brother, Mr. Levi Vilas, who was recently married, and has been visiting the Postmaster-General, is, however, In Philadelphia with his bride.

A Notice to Tardy Clerks,-The cap ain of the Treasury Watch reports to the Chief Clerk that there were 235 clerks late on Friday morning, 23 on Saturday, and on Monday. The Chief Clerk has prepare the following printed notice to be sent to definquent clerks: Your attention is par-deularly called to rules I and 2 of the stand thrularly called to rules I and 2 of the stand-ing rules of the department. As you ap-pear to have violated one of said rules, you are advised that another like offense, if not satisfactorily explained, will be reported for action. Rule 1 requires that clerks arriving after 9 or leaving before 4 o'clock be re-ported. Rule 2 forbids clerks paying or re-ceiving visits, reading of newspapers or smoking during office hours.

Commodore Schley's Report.-Th annual report of Commodore Schley, chies of the Naval Bureau of Equipment and Re ruiting, shows that during the year sixty rea service at the various navy-yards, at an expense of \$523,456. At the Washington expense of 5020,500. At the washington Navy-Yard during the year, \$15,273 has been expended in the rolling mill; \$11,814 in the forge and anchor shop; \$9,443 in the galley shop; \$12,477 in the smith and chain shop. The work accomplished has been with a plant which has virtually received no additions or improvement for twenty-five years. As a result of this fact the productions of the yard are of greater cost, though, probably, better quality, than if bought from private manufacturers. Necessary improvements would greatly reduce the cost of work. The necessity for keeping skilled workmen on the rolls requires their employment on various classes of work at different times, while much better results could be obtained if the same men were always kept on the same branch of work and attained peculiar skill by practice. The shops at the Washington yard should by all means be kept thoroughly equipped and the best testing machinery supplied. During the year 3,754 persons applied for enlistment as naval apprentices, and 1,153 were accepted. The training-ships are fast becoming unseaworthy, and the construction of two modern armored vessels for this service is urged. The forces of cellsted me employed at the Naval avy-Yard during the year, \$15,273 ha the construction of two modern armored vessels for this service is urged. The forces of chilated men employed at the Naval Academy and in the Fish Commission and Coast Survey should be separated from the quota allowed the mays. The advantages of the instruction to calisted men at Newport and Washington have been demonstrated. The retirement of entitsed men after thirty years of service is urged, and provision for a system of naval savings banks is asked. The estimates for the shops at the Washington yard embrace a new Emery testing machine to cost \$10,000, and other machinery, making an aggregate of \$38,594.

Minor and Personal.

Senator Gorman left the city last night t

Collector Hedden has received notific ion of the final approval of Weighe D'Brien's appointment by Secretary Man

Secretary Mauning has appointed Dr. N. P. McIntosh of Georgia to be an assistant surgeon in the marine hospital service, vio. K. P. Battle, resigned,

c. F. Battle, resigned, Congressman Randall had a conference of several hours' length with the President last syching. The subject of the amendment of lonse rules and some topics to be treated in the message are supposed to have been theoresid.

General Colonel R. M. Lazelle, Inspector-General of the Department of the Columbia, has been selected as one of the officers to represent the United States at the British military maneuvers in India in January. Captain S. M. Mills, Fifth Artillery, has been selected to accompany him.

The Governor of Montana has telegraphed to Secretary Lamar that the Indians in the Tongue River region in that Territory are suffering from want of food. The report is discredited, but if it is found to be true the necessary supplies will be furnished.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT NEWS. Matters Being Considered by the Com

missioners.

Colonel Robert P. Dodge, the District Assessor, is confined to his bed with an attack of nervous prostration.

Frank Morey requests the repair of the pump on the west side of Sixteenth street, etween South Circle and O street.

The Connecticut Indemnity Associations inquired of the District Commissioner

ness in this city.

Mr. James J. Chapman, the booksaller
complains to the Commissioners of the
throwing around of hand bills and busines
cards on the Avenue sidewalks.

Collector of Taxes Cook states that tax sayers can save themselves a great deal of rouble by paying up before the end of the nouth. They will, thereby, avoid the rush and save the 2 per cent. penalty.

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The Commissioners have approved the following requests for minor improvements. Change of grade of sidewalk on Washington street, between Fourth and Fifth streep paying entrance to yard of Western Market. paving entrance to yard of Western Market.

Permits to build were granted to J. P.
Morse to creet a dwelling on I street, between First and North Capitol streets, to
cost \$2,500; Frank A. Roderlek, to creet
a welling on the same street, \$2,500; C. P.
Thompson, do., do.; Louis Ballieus, to creet
a frame dwelling on Park and Sixteenth
street extended, \$1,500; John F. Waggaman, to creet four frame dwellings on Half
street, between N and O streets southwest,
\$800; J. S. Boss, to creet a store on Massachasetts avenue, near Sixth street, \$500.

Hop Lee, the Chinese laundryman who brew a little white girl down and broke two of her teeth, was fined \$10 by Judge Smell this morning. In disposing of the case he said he would take into considera-tion that the children amony these foreigners

A Case Nolle Pressed. A Case Nolle Prossed.

District Attorney Worthington in the Criminal Court this morning entered a noll press in the case of James L. Thomas, in detect for emberghement. He was easted of St. John's Church and while holding the position committed small peculations. This issues was at the instance of Nev. Dr. Leenard and the vestry of the church.

An Arch Over Ruch Creek. Mr. Augustus Watson has written to the Commissioners advising the obtaining an appropriation from Congress to such Rock

WASHINGTON, D. C., TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 17, 1885.

The wife of Mr. Graham Adec of Fit-teenth street is visiting her mother at New-lury on the Hudson.

SOCIETY.

Miss Anderreid is at her charming home on Vermont avenue, Miss Florence An-denreid is still absent with friends.

The Washington Light Infantry Corps will give a milliary hop at their armory on Thursday evening, which is being antici-pated by their friends with much pleasure. Mrs. Senator Mahone and daughter arrived in New York on Sunday from Europe. Miss Tillie Mahone will make her debut in society here this winter; she is pretty and

Mrs. James C. Bush, wife of Lieutenant James C. Bush, Fifth Artillery, arrived at her home here yesterday from Fort Omaha. Neb., where her husband is on duty with the

ney will not take place this fall, as Mr. Hunt expects to be ordered to sea soon, and therefore no date has been set for the wed-ding ceremony.

Mrs. Thomes H. Ruger, wife of General

Mrs. thomes it. duger, whe of General Ruger, colonel Eighteenth Infantry, left Fort Leavenworth last Thursday for a visit to her old home in Philadelphia. She is well and pleasantly known here to many who knew her at West Point, when General Ruger was superintendent there.

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When the fire took place in Mr. William R. Travers' quarters at Chamberlin's (the house formerly occupied by Mr. Blaine, while Speaker of the House of Representatives), half the well known people in town—army, navy, civiliaus and diplomats—rushed into General Van Vicit's house, naxt door, to rescue him. They couldn't spare the General just yet.

The Arion Quartet Club entertained its friends at a pleasant sociable last evening at Meyer's Hall, corner of Seventh and N streets. An excellent dancing programme had been provided for, and all participants seemed to enjoy themselves very heartily. The committees were, executive: Henry Wassman, G. J. Ott, J. H. Botenstein, G. V. Gassert. Floor: J. W. Ott, F. Albrecht, L. F. Litz,
Senator Randall Cibera and M. V.

L. F. Litz,

Senator Randall Gibson and Mr. Linden
Kent of this city were called to New York
on Saturday by the death of Dr. Frank
Montgomery. Dr. Montgomery was a
brother of Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Kent. His
death was very sudden and unexpected. He
had been out riding only the day before. He
had been in ill-health, however, for some
time, and had not been able to practice his
profession.

St. Lohn's Sunday School Association

profession.

St. John's Sunday-School Association gave its first annual ball at Cosmopolitan Hall last evening, and had a large number of members and friends in attendance. The committees in charge of the entertainment were—Reception committee: Peter Briel, Martin Wiegand, Robert Linsky; Boor committee: Weitzel, Ang. Kottmann, Peter Briel, John Reif. The officers of the organization are Miss Annie Banf, vice-president; Miss Julie Wachsmuth, treasurer; Miss Minnie Mades, secretary.

An industrial bazaar will be held by the An industrial dizaar will be need by deorphans of the Washington City Orphan Asylum, at their buildings at Fourteenth and 8 streets, on the afternoons and evenings of Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The many friends of Miss Mary Walte, daughter of Chief-Justice Walte, who Waite, danghter of Chief-Justice Waite, who is always prominent in good works of charity, and of the other equally deserving lady managers of this most worthy institution, should not fall to attend this industrial exhibition. "A kitchen garden" exhibition will be given on Wednesday evening and a concert on Thursday evening. The proceeds will be used for the better education of the children. Miss Waite and the young ladles assisting her should meet with the pronounced success their worthy efforts deserve. It is all for sweet charity's sake.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

Matters Interesting to All Members of the Service.
Commander George W. Hayward arrived at the Ebbitt House yesterday afternoon

from Buffalo. Captain William II. McLa enth Infantry, is at the Ebbitt House on ave from Fort Riley, Kausas.

It is now thought at the Norfolk Navy-Yard that the training squadron will not be able to get away much before Christmas. The training-ship Portsmouth bent sails at Norfolk last Friday, and has taken on provisions for her winter cruise in the West indies.

First Lieutenant George S. Hoyt, reelmental quartermaster Eighteenth Infantry, has twenty-five days leave from Fort Leavenworth. Sergeant James Robinson, Company F, fourteeath Infantry, has been granted urlough for a month from Vancouver Bar-

through for a month from vancover bar-racks, Washington Territory.

Lieutenant William Stanton, Sixth Cav-alry, commanding Troop E, left Fort Stan-ton last week for a month's scout in the vicinity of Goodnight, New Mexico.

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Easign William Truxtum reported on board the Galena Inst Saturday at Norfolk, in charge of a Sigabee deep-sea sounding machine and a Tanner sounding machine.

First Lieutenant Harry L. Ripley, Twenty-fourth Infantry, acting chief engineer officer on General Miles' staff, has been granted leave for a month from Fort Leavenworth.

Naval Constructor George R. Boush, who has been seriously ill for some time at Portsmouth, Va., is so far convalescent that he is able to be out a little time each fair day.

day,
Troop B (Major James M. Ropes'), at
Fort Einggold, Texas, and Troop I (Cap-tain Argains G. Hennisee's), at Fort Brown,
are ordered to exchange stations by march-

General Henry R. Migner, Reutemant-colonel Tenth Infantry, has been relieved from temporary command at Fort Stanton, New Mexico, and ordered to take station at Fort Union.

at Fort Union.

Major Stophen R. Stefford, captain Fifteenth Infantry, who was recently rellaved from recruiting duty, was in St. Paul last Saturday, en route to join his company at Fort Randall, Dakota.

Major Curwen B. McClellan, Tenth Cavalry, is president, and First Lieutenant Millard E. Eggleston, Tenth Cavalry, judge-advocate, of a general court-martial convened November 10 at Fort Verde, Arizona.

The Secretary of Wer has opmended by a The Secretary of War has amended para-raph 3420 of the Army Regulations to au-horize the payment of mileage to officers a silvance when the continuous distance

o be traveled is not less than two thousand

miles.

The meeting of the court-martial which is to try First Licutemant John C. Frement Tillson and Licutemant Ellward S. Avis, Fifth Infantry, at Fort Keogh, Montana, has been postponed by Major-General Schooled until January 7, 1889.

Naval orders: Licutemant James H. Sears, onlered to the Naval Observatory. Ensign John L. Pursell, to the Independence: Paymaster James E. Toffree, detached from the Vermout, Paymaster E. N. Whiledonse, from the New York Navy-Yard to the Vermout, also to continue present duties in sent; also to continue present duties i and Clothing.

Auditor Kieswetter Released. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 17 .- Emil Kiesweit ter, State Auditor, charged with shooting with intent to kill W. J. Ellioti, editor of the Scador Capital, was this morning dis-charged from custody.

33t. Vesuvius Disturbed.

Naples, Nov. 17.-Vesuvins is again in a date of cruption and the observatory au-

thorities balleve it will become more serious than it is at present. Woolen Mill Burned Synactor, N. Y., Nov. 17.—Jones, Lowin & Thomas' woolen mill at West Exton, Madison County, was burned at 6 o'clock this morning. Loss, \$40,000.

STREET RAILWAY TALK. Important Changes That Have Taken

THE OLD TICKET SYSTEM

Place Since the War.

How the T Bail Has Superseded the

The recent agitation of the question of the abolition of the ticket system on the street rallways of Washington and the establishment of a universal five cent fare, has suggested inquiry into the history of the system, and has in vited comment upon the subject of what has and has not been done by the street railway companies. One cannot get onto a street-car since this subject has been reopened without hearing the matter discussed by the passengers, and their opinions are almost as numerous and as varied as the leaves of Vallambrosa. Now and then one runs across a man who remembers, as though it had been yesterday, the time during the war when street car fares were raised to as cents. At that time the fare on the Metropolitan road was raised to seven cents, and, by a special act, that company had the privilege of charging eight cents, which, however, they did not do for any extended length of time. They kept up the seven-cent rate, however, until they began to lose business, and then came down to a level with the other companies. The most peculiar feature of the history of this particular line in this connection is the fact that the laws granting the company the privilege of charging seven and even eight cents has never yet been repealed. In those days there were nearly twice as many street railways in the passengers, and their opinions are al

pealed. In those days there were nearly twice as many street railways in the city as at present. The Metropolitan, however, has swallowed up the Union or P street, the Silver Spring, the Connectiont avenue and the Park svenue franchises, so that its opponents are narrowed down to the Washington & Georgetown, the North Capitol & O street and the New York avenue and H street lines.

These lines all puddled their own canoes, or at least ran their street cars independently of the blees of any outsiders, until the winter of 1877-78, when the preadents of the several corporations put their heads together and agreed upon a system for the interchange of telests. But, even after this step had been taken, the Washington & Georgetown road sought an advantage over the other roads, inasmuch as it proposed to allow four cents. In the ticket exchange, for the telests of the other roads, though they each called for four and one-sixth. for the tickets of the other roads, though they each called for four and one-sixth cents. This difference was adjusted, and since then the matter has run on smoothly and in the main satisfactorily. Now, how-ever, there is talk of the abolition of the ticket system entirely. The roads seem to think they have a good reason for the pro-nosed charge in the large-sear revenue. would bring term. The public to not seem to appreciate the proposition. It remains to be seen whether the voice of the public will be heard by the corporations. In looking up the history of our street railways a representative of The Carrie

ame neross another very interesting featur that will perhaps bear and that is the subject with rails of the most approved pattern, t be determined by the Secretary of the Inte rior, laid upon an oven surface with the pavements of the streets." It is perhaps no more the fault of the corporations than of those who are supposed to enforce the laws that the above provisions have not been closely compiled with. The rail that entre bearing or T ra

the result is that the track becomes unever and decidedly unsatisfactory.

It is true that a great many experiments have been made looking toward the perfec-tion of the method of taying the T rait, but the hundreds of looken wagon and buggy wheels and the committon that is daily no-ticeable in the crossing of tracks at such business centres as Pennsylvania avenu-and Seventh street. Ninth and F streets and New York are to the contract of the conto the street rallwa posite the Tre the necessity of make the cutif posite the Treasury, can readily nuderstant the necessity of something being done to make the cittire width of that much use thoroughfare available for carriages of alkinds. Into its width of about 100 feet comes pouring the travel of Pennsylvania venue, with its 160 feet of width; New York avenue and F and G streets, and even now, there is scarcely room for the teams that most there. So much of the space is taken up by the carriacks, and so impassable are these tracks that vehicle other than street cars are virtually confined. ther than street cars are virtually confine the narrow ways on either side. All the other than street cars are virtually confine to the narrow ways on either side. All thi could be remedied by the use of some othe sort of rail. The same trouble existed is Baltimore, and the remedy was discovered in the use of the English rail. This is groove rail, such as is used all over Europe

Mrs. Loud Obtains Divarce, Poston, Nov. 17. - In the Supreme Courth's morning a decision was given in th divorce case of Ellen G. Loud against Thes.

J. Loud, granting the libel of Mrs. Loud and directioning the cross-libel of the husband.

OMARA, Nov. 17,-The Brighton Bane ase, involving the company's right to lene

he company. H. D. Claffin's Funeral. Buccontys, Nov. 17.—The funeral of the late H. B. Claffin took place this morning from his residence. Rev. Henry Ward Brecher and Paster Halliday officiating. Mr. Gindstone's Taur.

EDINBERGA, Nov. 17,-Mr. Gladstone arrived at West Calder, fidricen miles from this city, at 3:30 this afternoon. He was received with great entimelasm. GLASCOW, Nov. 17.—Arrived: Steamer MOVILLE, Nov. 17, -Arrived: Furnessla from New York:

SLOSSON BEATS VIGNAUX. The Opening Game of the Chicago

Maurice Vignaux and George F. Slossor crossed cues last night at the Central Music Hall, Chleago, in the first game of the 14inch balk-line tournament for the chare plouship of the world, special purses aggre gating \$0;500, and the net receipts. Victor; rested with Slosson. The music hall will hold 2,000 persons comfortably, but a good many more than that gathered there to see the famous players. There were many ladies in the boxes, and well known experts and lovers of the game from most of the large cities east of the Missisppi were scattered through the half. The table was mounted upon a little platform near the stage. Results of each inning were thrown upon a screen across the street, and all the evening large crowds thronged the sites walks watching the progress of the game. The olds on the blackboards in the positrooms before the game was called were 8 to 5 on Stosson and 2 to 1 signist Vignaux. Wayman McCreery, a wealthy young anatour of St. Louis, had been selected as referce and the veteran Charles Matthews of Chicago as marker. hold 2,000 persons comfortably, but a good

referee and the veteran Charles Matthews of Chicago as marker.

A few minutes after 8 o'clock Judge Gary of the Superior Court stepped to the table and addressed the audience. He said that they had gathered to witness the first game of a teurnament between three of the greatest billiard players the world had everknown. As he mentioned the name of each of the contestants—Maurice Vignaux of France, Jacob Schaefer of New York and George Slosson of Chicago—the audience broke into wild applaine. He said they were not strangers to Chicago audiences. They had been seen in that hall before. "Such a meeting is an event in the history of billiards, and reflects credit upon the gentlemen by whose enterprise, mergy and persistence it has been brought about."

In his second inning Slosson took the persistence it has been brought about."

In his second inning Slosson took the
leaf and retained it until Vignaux, with a
un of 75, passed him. He, however, went
o work and once more gained the leaf and
otalined it. The game was rather disapcounting, although some fine playing was
oven. To-night Vignaux and Schaefer will
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The score was as follows:

Averages-Slosson, 19, 11-91; Vignaux, 17 Innings, 31. Time of game, three hours and hirty minutes.

POKER IN THE ARMY.

General Stanley on the Evils of Gam-Major John A. Payne, first Heutenant Nineteenth Infantry, who was recently tried at Fort Clark, Texas, has been sentried at Fort Clark, Texas, has been sentencial to forfeit \$75 per month of his pay for all months. The specifications were to the effect that he played poker with gamblers in a public saloon and refused to pay its losses. The charge was "conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman." The court found him not gulty of the charge, but gulty of "conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline." General David S. Stauley, the Departmental Commander, approved the sentence, but said in his order in the case:

The reviewing authority is compelled to tence, but said in his order in the case:

The reviewing authority is compelled a differ with the court upon the finding on the charge of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. He believes that the findings upon the specifications raily sustain the charge. At this very time, every order's community in the State of Texas has arrayed riself against the gambles, and the law of the land research with the first hand research with the first of the country of forces him into benishment from the commonwhile. If the association of an officer of the Luited States Army with common gambles, and homelaing with them, squabbles, should money lost to them, be not conduct us be coming an officer and a gentleman, the said tary service must be far behind the spirit of morals upon this frontier, or the people of means upon this.

army, that General Stunley, in his address lost summer at West Point to the young gestlemen of the graduating class, expu-tated at considerable length upon the evils of gambling in the service, and of the flicers. It would seem from this that is stends breaking up gambling in his com and, if it is possible.

London, Nov. 17.—A preliminary motion as made before the Court of Queen's ench this morning for the trial of the suit Bench this morning for the ural of the sais for libel brought by Cyrus W. Field against James Gorden Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herold, and Oakey Hall, the London correspondent of the paper.

The Murderous Mountighters, Diracis, Nov. 17.—At a preliminary hear-ing in the case of the arrested "Moon-lighters," charged with the murder of former Curtin, the daughters of Curtin fully identified one of the Casey's as the man who fired the first shot.

A Dog Fight for \$100. CINCINNATI, Nov. 17.-A dog fight fo ere early this morning, between Tripp and Minnie, both owned by Clocinnati parties, Soth brutes were terribly punished, the light lasting one hour and five nilnutes.

PERSONAL MENTION. Jottings About Washington People and

Others Known Here.
--Rev. W. H. Milleum of New York is -Mrs. Gronge Hearst of San Francisc

-REV. JOHN T. SULLIVAN of Wheeling W. Va., is stopping at the National.

—Ma. John W. Bookwalten of Ohlo vill spend the winter in Washington -Dr Wift C. Christin, commissioner of public works at Chicago, is at the Ebbitt. -Thomas F. Rean of New York and leotge L. Roberts of Boston are registered t Wormley's.

 CONGRESSIAN CRISP of Georgia, who arrived at the Metropolitan on Monday, magnic to New York. —Conomessman energy Shaw of Mary and, who is quartered at the National, the een busy at the Departments to-day.

—Assistant From Commissioner T. 1 Final sen and Mr. Titian J. Coffey of the try were registered in New York yesterday -Hon. T. J. Campunit, who was received to succeed Hon. S. S. Cox be House of Representatives, is at the

—Messituas Changes Dr. Firmanica. ind A. Krebs of Paris, France, are at the Sational, They are in America, on a sight-eeing tour. eeing tour.

— Ancirismore Granesa of Haltlmore left for New Orleans yesterday to visit his rel-tives there. He is accompanied by Rey. Dr. Chapolle of this city.

—Mn. Hennan Bareman, the young Washingtonian who recently returned from levin, where he studied with the celebrated rightlest, Joachim, will shortly give a con-sit here, assisted by noted New York and

re in the House of Representatives, wa resented with an elegant pold-headed can resented with an elegant pold-headed can resently for the notive canvass in make it virginia in the interest of the Democratic party during the resent campaign. Senator deet Hibb and the Democratic committees a coules County presented the cane.

Louisa Country presented the cane.

— Miss Jennie Februce, who played the role of Morbidic in "The Stranglers of Paris" at Herzog's Opera Louisa last olight, is a member of one of the leading families of Elmira, N. Y., and a young lady who will achieve a high place in the dramatic profession. She is a graduate of the Lycoim School of Acting, and is a high of rare intellectual powers. Her acting is full of quiet dignity until the propert moment arrives for the release of her reserved force. Then she is powerful realistic and carries the entire audience with her.

EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Columbian Association of Day The scatting capacity of the little edific nown as the North Hapilet Church, or Fourtsceth street, near S, was taxed to It atmost this morning to accommodate the delegates to the eighth annual meeting of the Columbian Association of Baptist Churche and the spectators who assembled to will and the spectators who assembled to witness the proceedings. After the preliminary exercises the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Note: Rev. J. H. Cuthbert, moderator: S. M. Yestman, clerk and secretary of the executive board, and Henry Reard, treasurer.

The following committee on order of exercises was appointed: Mesars. Wheeler, Chapp and Curtis, after which the gathering adjourned until 2 o'slock this afternoon. In the meantime the delegates particely of a sumptional implication prepared by the latter

In the meanting the delegates particular samptitions function prepared by the failer of the church.

Mrs. Gates of Boston, secretary of the Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society, wildeliver a lecture at the church this evening 6 o'clock on the operations and standing

at 6 o'clock on the operations and standing of the society.

A summary of the statistics submitted show that during the past year there were 130 singers baptized; number of deaths, 22; present number of members, 2,7,25; amound contributed for missionary work in the District of Columbia, 884; amount con-tributed for home talestonary, 858; for foreign missionary, 878; amount raised for all purposes, 87,500; number of sanday-school scholars, 2,800; amount contributed by the Sunday-schouls, \$3,508.

An Appailing Disaster.

Postunov, O., Nov. 17.— The most ap-salling mining disaster that has occurred i this vicinity for years, happened yesterday evening about 5 o'clock in the Peacosk coal bank. Several tons of state had fallen from the roof of the bank about 123 yards from the main entrance, and Jacob Ohlinger, Jacob Holte, Valentine Koenig, and Martin Ebersbach, the manager of the bank, were at work clearing the track of this obstruction, when from eight to ten tons more came down and buried them. Ohlinger and Hote were killed outright, and Koenig had his right ankle and left leg broken in three places, and is also injured internally. His body is landly bruiked. Ebersbach is injured internally and his spine crippted badly, if not broken.

The Same Scheme for Three Years GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Nov. 17.-lame dins, was arrested here yesterday charge with attemption to secure money from th Frand Rapids & Indiana Bailroad Compan Grand Rapids & Indiana Baifroad Company on false pretenses. He claimed to have been in jured while a passenger on a train at Fort Wayne, by the cars subdouty backing up when he was leaving the train. He demanded \$2,000 damezes. It was discovered that the First & Pere Marquette Baifroad Company had paid the man a similar claim ten days ago. He had been successfully working this scheme for the past three years on different roads. He pleaded guilty yesterday and was beld for trial.

Politicians Who Stole Votes. ecent resount of the city vote for mayor, was discovered that all the ballots of t was discovered that all the ballots of, the first precinct of the eighteenth ward, bad been stolen. Last night Mr. Cettrell, Democratic candidate for mayor, made affi-daylt that they had been stolen by Charles Smith, Republican committeeman, and George W. Hill, Republican inspector of that ward. These men were both arrested and gave ball.

OMARA, NER., Nov. 17.—Martin H. Colins, manager of C. Amere's store at Cam Charle, afty miles north of Bidney, was sh quarreled over a game of cards. Show pulled a revolver and first at Jim Collins missing firm and fitting Martin Collins. The mordered man was 22 years old as I be lend Sunday. Jim Shaw and Jim Colli

murdored man was (it years old, and his family live in Elmira, N. Y. Wreck of a Steamer. ation from the steamer Brooklyn is to th flect that the vessel is fast filling wit

The Bud of a Past Life. Berri, Mos., Nov. 17.—Henry C. Bud-ey, chief clerk to Lee W. Foster & Co., ommitted stileide yesterday morning b counts shows that he is \$748 short. He had false led a fast life, and it is believed the money was squantiered on a woman of bacquatation here. He is a native of Balti

A Murder in a Brewery. St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 17.—Between 4 and 7 o'clock last night C. A. Breumhl, forann, and George Meyer, engineer at W. J. Lemp's brewery, in the southern part of the dty, had an afterestion growing out of a differed. Meyer assaulted frequent with thit and shot at him twice with a pistor, i licting mortal wounds. Moyer was

Anger of a Fersakes Woman, Criticago, Nov. 17.-Edward Quevit, a roung Frenchinan, was shot at twice at the Duval, a French Canadian, one of the bul-lets taking effect in his head, producing an ugly wound. Had he not wrestled the revelver from her, she would have thred again. He was het lover and deserted her.

A Broken Frog the Cause. juiry was held at Connellsville yesterday at ternson for the purpose of studing the exact cause of the accident on the B. & O. R. R. hast Tuesday morning. The decision was that the accident must have been caused by a defective frog at the switch.

A Mormon on Trial. Sary Larg, Uran, Nov. 17.—Charles W. Nildey was put on trial yesterlay for un-lawful constitution. He is very high in the Marmon Church councils, though yet young man. The case is still on. The Russian Press Violent.

England, because of the attitude of those powers in reference to the Rounding Happenings in Alexandria. ATEXAMORIA, Va., Nov. 17.—Captain rank Keyes, aged 50 years, was about last ght ut his residence on Cameron street

VIESSA, Nov. 17.—The St. Petersburgh press is violent in its abuse of Austria and

Hey, L. W. Rove has resigned his change of the churches in Mecklenburg County and has accepted a call to the church of extend, N. C.

The funeral of Mr. Samuel W. Markell, who died from anoplery has Saturday, took place from St. Paut's F. E. Church this afternoon. Rev. Dr. Norton officialist. The Alexandriums who served as U. S. grand jurora in Norfolk returned yesterday.

## THE WAY TO SOFIA OPEN

The Bulgarians Defeated with Great Slaughter at Dragoman Pass.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

HARD FIGHTING TO-DAY.

The Invaders Victorious and Take 1,000 Prinners.

VIESNA, Nov. 17. - Dispatches from Belrrade of an official character state that the ervians have defeated the Bulgarians at the Dragoman Pass with great slaughter. Hordes of Bulgarians laid down their arms and surrendered. Several guns of heavy caliber were also captured by King Milan's victorious troops. The pass has been com-pletely abstractioned by the Bulgarians and now in full possession of the Servians.

This battle of the Dragoman Pass was re-ferred to in Colonel Benesky's official dis-patel yesterday, being in progress, and is without doubt the most important engage-ment yet fought between the contending forces, as it practically leaves the road to

A dispatch just received from Widly reports a desperate fight as having occurred this morning near that place between a large force of Servians and Bulgarians, in which the latter were completely defeated with a heavy loss. The Servians took 1,000 minutes.

The Mexican Muddle.

MONTERRY, MEXICO, Nov. 17.—General Reyls, commander of the Federal forces, arrived early Sunday morning by special train over the Mexican National Railway. He at once held a conference with the Festeral, State, and municipal officers, during which it was mutually agreed to defer all which it was mutually agreed to defer all action as to the canvass of the refent elections shall Governor Garcia should return from the City of Mexico. It is hoped that the Governor will be able to bring about an amieable adjustment of existing complications between State and Federal governments. Should be full to do so, it is believed that he will resign immediately on his return to this city.

Marriage of Commissioner Atkins' Daughter.

Panis, These, Nov. 17.—Dudley Porter and Miss Clintle Atkins were married at the residence of the bride's parents last.

evening. The bride is the youngest daughter of Indian Commissioner Atkins, aged 17, and is a viracious, pretty and popular lady. The families on both sides were opposed to the marriage. The affair was unexpected and causes a sensation. Startling Humors in Paris. Pane, Nov. 17.—Rumors are freely circu-ated in commercial circles here to-day that Anstria is mobilizing her troops. On the Busine prices are flat, owing to these and other reports of political complications. In the East.

MINOR NEWS NOTES. Montreal. Tenthousand persons paraded dirond the streets with French flags in mon-ery of this and hurned six John MacDonald in thing in junt of the Concert status. Anumber of shots were exchanged with the police, but to one was list.